

Meeting: National Crisis Management Team.

Meeting #58, COVID-19.

Date: Tuesday 13th October 2020, 09:00 hrs.

Attendance:

Members – Paul Reid, CEO; Ann O’Connor, COO; Dean Sullivan, CSPO; Anne Marie Hoey ND HR; Tom McGuinness, AND National Emergency Management; Sean Bresnan, ND Procurement; Ray Mitchell, Parliamentary Affairs; Dr Kevin Kelleher, AND Public Health; Martin Dunne, Director National Ambulance Service; Niamh O’Beirne, HSE EMT; Fran Thompson, CIO; Dr Colm Henry, CCO; Joe Ryan, ND National Services; John Kelly, Corporate Affairs; Stephen Mulvany, CFO; Annmarie Hoey, ND HR; Liam Woods, ND Acute Operations; ; David Leach, DoH.

In Attendance - Cahir O’Byrne, HSE National Office for Emergency Management; Amanda Prior, HSE National Office for Emergency Management.

Apologies:

Dr Lorraine Doherty, CL HPSC; Yvonne O’Neill, Community Operations; Dr Siobhan Ni Bhriain, National Lead Integrated Care.

Topic	Discussion	Action	Owner
1. INTRODUCTION			
	The CEO opened NCMT #58		
2. PREVIOUS MINUTES			
	Minutes of NCMT #57 approved by all.		Cahir O'Byrne - National Emergency Management
3. NPHE ACTION LOG			
	The CEO requested an update on NPHE actions.	The action list will be updated as necessary to include new actions and status of existing ones.	Tom McGuinness - National Emergency Management
4. NCMT ACTION LOG			
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5. Public Health Update			
	<p>A national epidemiological update was provided by Kevin Kelleher, AND Public Health. Please find update attached.</p> <p>Rates of virus detection have increased in the border counties and also further counties outside of Dublin. Virus rates within Dublin appear to be stabilizing.</p> <p>There are currently 200+ persons hospitalised as a result of COVID-19, with 20+ ICU admissions.</p>	Update to be provided at next meeting.	Dr Lorraine Doherty - Clinical Lead HPSC

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	<p>The increase in virus rates is expected to continue for 4-6 weeks following the trajectory of the disease displayed in the Dublin Region. This is in line with modelling predictions by Prof. Phillip Nolan.</p> <p>There have been high numbers of cases detected within the Irish Travelling Community due to weddings and funerals which have taken place in both the Republic and Northern Ireland.</p> <p>There have been 11 new outbreaks identified within nursing homes. These are relatively small outbreaks predominately between staff and patients. Ann O'Connor, COO, noted CRT's have been activated in this regard and are working at a local level.</p> <p>Outbreaks within school settings remain low. KK noted some issues have been experienced by PH in relation to the handling of schools, due to delays in receiving contact details for the premises. This is being resolved with the Department of Education.</p>		
6. Testing & Tracing Update			
	<p>An update was provided by Niamh O'Beirne, HSE EMT. Although transmission in school settings remain low, the number of referrals has increased in the previous 7 days.</p>	<p>Niamh O'Beirne to update at next meeting.</p>	<p>Niamh O'Beirne – HSE EMT</p>

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	A text alert system is now in place for positive cases. This began 12/10/2020. 950 text messages issued on the first day. It is anticipated there will be 3 to 4 text runs per day moving forward. This is a semi-automated system; however, it is hoped to move to a fully automated system at the next release of the CTC. Communications from the department will be required.	[REDACTED] to ensure response from DoH issues 13/10/2020.	[REDACTED]
7. Community Operation			
	No further updates other than those already covered in this minute.	Chief Operations Officer and Community Ops will update at next NCMT.	Ann O'Connor – Chief Operations Officer/ Yvonne O'Neill – Community Operations
8. Acute Operations			
	An update was provided by Liam Woods, Acute Operations. CUH and Limerick Hospital remain areas of high concern. Work is ongoing to support both of these facilities.	Acute operations to provide update at next meeting.	Liam Woods – Acute Operations
9. Clinical Coalition			
	No further updates other than those already covered in this minute.	Dr Colm Henry to update at next NCMT.	Dr Colm Henry – Chief Clinical Officer
10. AOB			
11. NEXT MEETING			
	NCMT #59 Tuesday, 20th October 2020 @ 09:00 hrs	[REDACTED]	